

HOUSE BILL 3324

By Kernell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106, relative to the monthly expense allowance for members of the general assembly.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106(f)(1), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (f)(1)(A) and by adding the following language to be designated as subdivision (B):

(B)

(i) Such monthly expense allowance may be paid up to ninety (90) days in advance of the date upon which the allowance is ordinarily due and payable if the member files a written request with the office of legislative administration; provided that no such advance allowance shall be paid within the ninety-day period preceding the November general election.

(ii) A fifty dollar (\$50) processing fee and a one percent (1%) per annum interest charge for each month in advance that the request is made shall be deducted from the monthly expense allowance prior to issuing the advance payment to the member.

(iii) If a member has been paid in advance of the date the monthly allowance is ordinarily due and payable and the member resigns or dies before the month such allowance would otherwise be due and payable, then the state shall be a creditor having a claim against the member's estate for the unreimbursed amount.

(iv) The office of legislative administration shall develop such forms and policies as may be necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this act.

SECTION 2. For purpose of developing necessary forms and policies, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes this act shall take effect on November 6, 2012.